

ACBL D-20 Organization, Inc.

Board Meeting: Friday, August 4, 2017

Emerald Empire Regional, Eugene, Oregon

In attendance:

Sam Asai, President, Area 1 Representative and Board of Governors	John Ashton, First Alternate, District Director	Marie Ashton, Business Manager
Duane Christensen, Area 3 Representative, Treasurer	Rich Carle, Secretary and Webmaster	Marilyn Vilhauer, Tournament Contracts
Amy Casanova, Trumpet Editor	Jim Smith, Area 6 Representative	Nelda Linman, Board of Governors;
Judy Mundt, Area 7 Representative	Deborah Lackey, Education Coordinator	Margi Redden, I/N Coordinator
Jeff Taylor, proxy for Laurie Rowe, Area 8 Representative	Judy Davis, Tournament Manager	Merlin Vilhauer, District Director
Hal Montgomery, NA Events Coordinator	Mike Eyer, Area 5 Representative, Recorder	Jeff Jacob, Tournament Director
Don Marsh and Sherri Morgan, Guests	Absent: Larry Crumb, Merle Stetser	Chip Dombrowski, Asst Trumpet Editor

President Sam Asai called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

Sam noted that the election for the Alternates for the District Director were held. Amy Casanova was elected as 1st Alternate and Rich Carle as 2nd Alternate, effective January 1, 2018. Sam also congratulated the teams who represented the District in Toronto for their successes.

Minutes for the 2017 Annual Board meeting held in February at the Oregon Trail Regional were presented. Merlin Vilhauer moved to approve the minutes; the motion was seconded by Mike Eyer and passed unanimously.

The President and Treasurer gave verbal reports.

The Business manager reported a loss of \$21,142 for the 6 months ended July 31, which is \$692 more than the expected loss. She reported that the District now has 3 Time Certificates at Everbank, located in Jacksonville Florida. The terms are 1, 2 and 3 years. Financial reports for the Oregon Trail and Rogue Valley Regionals were presented. OTR income was \$14,275, 12% less than last year on a table count that went up from 1,499 to 1,586. Rogue Valley table count was 505, down from 628 two years ago, resulting in a loss of \$2,651. Judy Mundt moved to approve the Financial Statements for the 6 months; Merlin Vilhauer seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Tournament Contracts negotiator, Marilyn Vilhauer reported that the Seaside Convention Center has presented a contract extension through 2025 for consideration. The Inn at the Commons was hurt by our low table count in Medford this year, and they want to raise the fees. Our last tournament at Sunriver will be 2018 because they want us to move the date; Marilyn has found the Riverhouse in Bend to replace Sunriver.

Judy Davis reported that the Emerald Empire tournament was down 13% from two years ago as of Friday morning.

Judy presented the recommendation of the Tournament Manager Search Committee. The committee recommends the hiring of Linda Redman and Jim Wheeler as Tournament Managers, each to run two tournaments per year. Jeff Taylor moved to approve this plan, Jim Smith seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Hal Montgomery presented the North American Events Committee report, and Merlin Vilhauer presented his report of the ACBL board meeting in Toronto. He noted that ACBL president, Bob Heller, will be attending the 2017 Oregon Coast Regional and will be entitled to an expense reimbursement of \$700.

Amy Casanova reported that the Editors have written a letter to the Unit Reporters with suggestions to improving reports. She asked the Area Representatives to contact the District Presidents to ask for their help in this.

Margi Redden reported on the Intermediate Newcomer events at this tournament.

Deborah Lackey reported that the reviews of Barbara Seagram's seminar were very positive. Deborah also resigned to be effective after the 2018 Oregon Trail Regional. Sam appointed a search committee for a new Education Liaison, made up of Bob Peery, Mary Alice Seville and Deborah Lackey.

Larry Crumb provided copies of the tournament schedule he keeps as Tournament Coordinator.

Area Representative reports were presented by Judy Mundt, Duane Christensen, Jim Smith, Mike Eyer and Sam Asai.

Under old business, Rich Carle reported that a District STAC will be held the 3rd week in January 2018 sponsored by the Vancouver Unit. Rich also reported that Club games to benefit the 2018 Hawaii NABCs will be held the week of September 18-24, 2017 and a week in July 2018.

The Finance Committee recommendation that District NAP attendance increase by 50% or the Board will consider changing the event was re-tabled until the February 2018 annual meeting.

Sam Asai will contact Laurie Rowe to make sure the Bylaw change to allow email voting by the Board is moving forward.

Under new business, Marie Ashton presented a request from TournTables, LLC for an amendment of the contract to include payment of the table fee for such special events as the Barbara Seagram seminar at this tournament. The current per table charge is \$3.18, with a cost of living escalation clause. Mike Eyer moved to approve the amendment, Jim Smith seconded the motion, which passed with one dissenting vote from Jeff Taylor.

Sam Asai reported that Larry Crumb has resigned as District Tournament Coordinator, and Sam has appointed Jeff Jacob to replace him. Merlin Vilhauer moved to approve the appointment, Jeff Taylor seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Sam also solicited suggestions for a new District Recorder as Mike Eyer will resign when a new one is found.

Sam Asai established a committee to develop a job description for Area Representatives to be chaired by Jeff Taylor. He also appointed Laurie Rowe and Don Marsh to the committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30. Next meeting will be the Annual Meeting on Friday and Saturday, February 23 and 24, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Ashton, Business Manager

August 10, 2017